(b) whether Government are drawing plan for creation of posts in all States under new Industrial and Textiles Policy?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) As per the employment and unemployment surveys conducted by NSSO, employment in the state of Maharashtra and Gujarat on usual status basis during 1993-94 and 1999-2000 was as given below:

State	Employment during (In Million)	
	1993-94	1999-2000
Maharashtra	37·9	41.2
Gujarat	19 2	22.9
All India	374.5	397.0

(b) There is no such plan under the consideration of Ministry of Labour and Employment.

Abolition of Child Labour

†4564. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any national programme for the abolition of child labour in various parts of the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of child labourers in the country as on 31st March, 2005; State-wise and district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. With a view to eliminating child labour in hazardous occupations and process, the National Child Labour Project Scheme was started in the year 1998, which was expanded to cover 100 districts during the 9th Plan and was further expanded to cover 250 districts during the 10th Plan. Under the Scheme, children,

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

withdrawn from hazardous occupations and process, are put into special schools in order to enable them to be mainstreamed into formal schooling system.

(c) The estimation of the number of child labour in the country statewise/districtwise, is done on the basis of the Census carried out by the Registrar General of India. The Census, by the Registrar General of India is carried out once in every ten years and yearly data regarding existence of child labour statewise/districtwise is not maintained. The State-wise and district-wise figures of child labour as per the Census 2001 (provisional) is given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 204. Annexure No. 28]

Construction of AHI Building in Bangalore

4565. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Apex High Tech. Institute to provide high-tech training and a resource center for computer aided and integrated technologies to serve national and international markets is functioning from a rented building in Bangalore;

(b) whether there is any proposal to take up construction of a building to house the AHI in Bangalore;

(c) whether the Planning Commission has rejected the proposal to approve funds for the above purpose; and

(d) if so, the action proposed to be taken to convince the Planning Commission in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) The Apex High-tech Institute (AHI) Bangalore is functioning in temporary accommodation provided in the campus of Foreman Training Institute (FTI), Bangalore, an institute under the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

(b) Yes, Sir.